

CLAIMS

I CLAIM:

1. A method for electrical switching comprising: placing a magnetic reed switch having at least two electrical contacts adjacent support means for a disc magnet in such manner that a portion of the support means will be within and a portion of the support means will be without the magnetic field of the reed switch; placing a disc magnet on the support means at a location without the magnetic field of the magnetic reed switch; and causing the disc magnet to move to a position within the magnetic field of the magnetic reed switch thus activating the magnetic reed switch.

2. The method of claim 1 wherein the disc magnet is caused to move by a stream of fluid being directed against the disc magnet.

3. The method of claim 1 wherein the disc magnet is caused to move by force of gravity.

4. The method of claim 1 wherein the support includes at least one plane surface which is angularly inclined with respect to horizontal.

5. The method of claim 1 wherein the disc magnet is caused to move by an impact against the support means.

6. An electrical switching device comprising: a magnetic reed switch; magnetic reed switch holding means; a disc magnet supported by disc magnet support means; and means to move the disc magnet into and out of the magnetic field of the reed switch.

7. The device of claim 6 wherein the means to move the disc magnet includes a surface which is inclined with respect to horizontal.

8. The device of claim 6 wherein the means to move the disc magnet includes gravitational forces.

9. The device of claim 6 wherein the means to move the disc magnet includes impact means.

10. A method for a disabled person to communicate which includes: causing a disc magnet upon a disc magnet support surface to roll from a position exterior the magnetic field of a magnetic reed switch associated with the disc magnet support surface to a position interior said magnetic field.

11. An electrical switching apparatus comprising: a magnetic reed switch; magnetic reed switch holding means; a disc magnet supported by disc magnet support means; a magnetic disc magnetic restraining means normally restraining the magnetic disc from entering the magnetic field of the magnetic reed switch; ; and means to overcome the magnetic restraining means so as to allow movement of the disc magnet into and out of the magnetic field of the reed switch.

12. The apparatus of claim 11 where the restraining means includes magnetic means.

13. The apparatus of claim 11 where the restraining means includes mechanical means.

14. The apparatus of claim 11 where the restraining means includes electrical means.

15. Apparatus for disabled, handicapped, invalid, and other persons and the like to control a variety of devices comprising: a plurality of magnetic disc/magnetic reed switch wireless transmitter devices each of which is on a specific wireless frequency different from each of the others and each of which is accessible to, and

capable of being activated by a person; a plurality of wireless receiver devices each of which is on a specific wireless frequency which matches the frequency of one of the transmitter devices and is connected to a device which may be activated by receipt of a signal by the receiver device from the frequency matching transmitter device.

16. The apparatus of claim 15 wherein each of the magnetic disc/magnetic reed switch wireless transmitter devices is capable of being activated by the breath of a person directed against a magnetic disc.